

Dean Prior

1850-1950 Centennial Biography

Dean Prior, former mayor of Lehi City, was born in Spanish Fork, Utah, September 4, 1903, of pioneer parentage. He was educated in the public schools of Spanish Fork. He attended the Brigham Young University graduating in 1929, and coming directly to Lehi to teach. He has coached football for eighteen years, also basketball for four years.

He served as Mayor of Lehi 1941-42, 43-44, 47-48. He served two terms as director of Utah Municipal League. During Mayor Pryor's first term, the problem of unemployment and public work was serious, as the city sponsored state work projects.

The Lehi Civic Improvement Association was organized, under his direction, with the Lehi Roundup celebration its community project. A water purification system was installed. The old power plant was exchanged for the power company's distribution system, many miles of oil surfaced roads constructed. A sewer plan and survey were made. The ordinances of Lehi were revised, and other worthwhile community activities were sponsored.

Mr. Prior is past president of the Lion's Club, also a director in the Civic Improvement Association.

He was recreation director for fifteen years during which the floodlighted field was completed.

He served a mission to the Northern States in 1925-27 and has served as Ward Y.M.M.I.A. Superintendent, M-Men Stake Supervisor, Assistant to Stake Y.M.M.I.A. superintendent.

He married June Boyack in June 1929, and brought his bride to Lehi, where they have made their home since, with two children blessing the union, LaDeane and Keith.